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In re Application of:
Sherman, et al.

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For: Method of Removing
Contaminants From
Petroleum Distillates

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED SEPTEMBER 3, 2002

In response to the Final Office Action dated September 3, 2002, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on December 3, 2002, please enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. Although Applicants believe that no fee is due in connection with this response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/AVIS/1016C/RDE, for any fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 10 without prejudice and reconsider the following claims:

4. A method for purifying motor oil, comprising: